(iii) Pilot Project for Watershed Development in Rainfed Areas. (World Bank Aided)

(iv) World Bank Aided Integrated Watershed Development Project (Hills)

(v) World Bank Aided Integrated Watershed Development Project (Plains)

(vi) DANDIA Aided Karnataka Watershed Development Project.

(vii) DANDIA Aided Comprehensive Watershed Development Integrated Areas in Tirunelveli Tamil Nadu.

(b) A Centrally Sponsored Scheme on National Watershed Development Project for Rainfed Area (NWDPRA) is being implemented in all the Community Development Blocks of all the States where less than 30 per cent arable land is under assured means of irrigation.

(c) Yes, Sir. A Centrally Sponsored Scheme on National Watershed Development Project in Rainfed Areas is in operation in Orissa. Orissa is also covered under World Bank aided Integrated Watershed Development Project (Plains).

(d) Does not arise.

(e) A Centrally Sponsored Scheme on National Watershed Development Project for Rainfed Areas is in operation to achieve the twin objectives of sustainable production of bio-mass and restoration of ecological balance by appropriate conservation measures and diversified production systems through active public participation.

National Research Centre

4065. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a proposal from Government of Andhra Pradesh for setting up a National Research Centre for Veterinary Sciences, Fisheries, Palm oil and sericulture;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) the stage at which these proposals are pending?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICUTURE (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) Sir, a proposal has been received from Andhra Pradesh Government for setting up a National Research Centre on Oil-palm.

(b) and (c) An expert committee has been set up by the I.C.A.R. to identify a possible site in potential oilpalm growing states.

Pesticides Poisoning

4066. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted study to ascertain the steps taken by State Governments to make pesticides poisoning a noticeable occurrence as provided in the Insecticides Act, 1968; and

(b) if so, what are the details?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Yes, Sir. Most of the State Governments have already notified Officers for reporting occurrences of pesticides poisoning under Section 26 of the Insecticides Act, 1968.

(b) As per the information furnished by these functionaries a statement showing the number of pesticides poisoning cases during the years 1988-91 is annexed as Statement.